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*Attn: Group Art Unit 1636***DUPLICATE**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/599,452; Filed: June 22, 2000  
For: **Rapid Growing Microorganisms for Biotechnology Applications**  
Inventors: Bloom *et al.*  
Our Ref: 0942.4970001/RWE/FRC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
2. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1) (*in duplicate*);
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
4. An original Declaration for Patent Application in two parts;
5. Our check no. **33274** in the amount of **\$470.00** to cover:  
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\$110.00 Extension of Time; and
6. Return Postcard.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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